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1. The city of Dnepropetrovsk has since its foundation during the regime of Catherine II been considered one of the most important cities in the Ukrainian SSR.
2. The pre-World War II population of the city was approximately 250 thousand people. Dnepropetrovsk and environs were never overpopulated. Should the Soviets choose to build up this area, at least one half million people could readily be absorbed. The industrial potential is great since minerals including coal are abundant. Hydroelectric power via the Dneproges dam can be expanded by the adoption of more efficient measures.

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